

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: Photos -_1-2348.jpg

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 2000387.002

Medium: Image File

Maker: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 10 December 2020

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 09 December 2020

Summary of reasons for decision:

The image depicts a man engaged in sexual activity with a pubescent girl. It is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of young people for sexual purposes. The continued availability of such material encourages and reinforces a sexual interest in young people and perpetuates the sexual exploitation of the girl involved. The sole purpose of the image is sexual arousal. As an image file it can be shared widely among like-minded individuals. The image may also be used for grooming other potential victims of sexual abuse. The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications that promote and support the exploitation of young people for sexual purposes be deemed objectionable.